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SUBJECT: NAQUORA KURDS DEPART AMMAN, ARRIVE SAFELY IN BAGHDAD

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[¶11.](#) After a tense weekend of continued standoff among GOJ, Dutch and UNHCR officials (reftels), the 14 Naquora Kurds departed Amman on June 13 via a UN-chartered Russian plane and accompanied by security officials from the Iraqi Embassy in Amman. According to UNHCR officials, the plane arrived safely at Baghdad International Airport where the Iraqi authorities provided onward ground transportation to Mosul. UNHCR and the Iraqi Embassy in Amman continue to monitor the Kurds' return to Mosul but do not anticipate any further problems with this voluntary repatriation.

[¶12.](#) Baghdad minimize considered.

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